IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: William W. Jacobsen)
Appl. No.: Unknown (Divisional of 09/119,257)) Group Art Unit: Unknown
Title: Lignocellulose Fiber Filler for Thermoplastic Composite Compositions) Examiner: Unknown))

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed to establish the accompanying application as a Divisional Application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)(1).

Please amend this application as set forth below.

In the specification:

At page 1, line 5, under Cross-References, a new paragraph should be added as follows:

This application is a divisional application of, and claims priority from, U.S. Patent Application number 09/119,257, filed July 20, 1998, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-12 and 20-25.

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 were in the original parent application. Claims 1-12 and 20-25 are being cancelled from this application via this Preliminary Amendment. Claims 13-19 remain in this divisional application. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned "MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDMNTS TO SPECIFICATION" and "MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDMNTS TO CLAIMS", respectively.

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The applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments and consideration of this application as amended.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 7-6-0/

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MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

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In the specification:

At page 1, line 5, under **Cross-References**, delete "none" and insert the following new paragraph:

-- This application is a divisional application of, and claims priority from, U.S. Patent Application number 09/119,257, filed July 20, 1998, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

Claims 1-12 and 20-25 are cancelled.